



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF:

SCHILLING

Appln. No.: 09/843,168

Filed: April 27, 2001

Title: GAS-TURBINE COMBUSTION CHAMBER
WITH AIR-INTRODUCTION PORTS

Group Art Unit: 3746

Examiner: Gartenberg, Ehud

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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington DC 20231

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of August 11, 2003, please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please enter the following amended claim:

1. (Twice Amended) A gas-turbine combustion chamber comprising:

at least one pilot zone associated with a pilot burner;

at least one common main zone associated with a main burner, the pilot burner and the main burner being axially and radially offset relative to each other, said common main zone comprising:

an outer flame-tube wall, and

an inner flame-tube wall, each wall provided with ports for the introduction of air into the common main zone, with said main burner being radially positioned toward the outer flame-tube wall and with said pilot burner being radially positioned toward the inner flame-tube wall,

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wherein the outer-flame tube wall ports include a first arrangement of ports including a single first row of ports and the inner flame-tube wall ports include a second arrangement of ports including a single first row of ports, with an alignment of the ports of the second arrangement being either on-center or off-center with interspaces of the first row of ports of the first arrangement.
